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24 March 1957

Lt. General Willis D. Crittenberger President Free Europe Committee, Inc. 2 Park Avenue New York, New York

Deeply regret that a dinner which I must give here on March 28 prevents me from joining you at the dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Shepardson. I wish you would express to them my real disappointment that I cannot join their many friends in paying tribute to the contribution Mr. Shepardson has made to the Free Europe Committee. As one of the Founders I take keen pride in what the Committee has accomplished in which Whitney played so large a role.

(signed)

ALLEN W. DULLES

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March 11, 1957

Dear Allen:

On the twenty-eighth of March the Board of Directors and their wives are having a dinner at the Waldorf for Mr. and Mrs. Shepardson as an informal tribute to the contribution Mr. Shepardson has made to the Free Europe Committee during the last four years.

Arthur Page and I think it would be nice if you and Mrs. Dulles could join us. If your schedule will permit such an excursion to New York in the middle of the week, we would be more than delighted to have you with us.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

Willis D. Crittenberger Lt.General, U.S.Army (Ret.)

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The Honorable Allen Dulles 2723 Q Street, N.W. Washington, D. C.